Tabloski as applied to Claim 1 in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,083,276 to Davidson et al. (Davidson). Claims 17 and 34 were objected to for being dependent upon rejected base claims, but were identified as having allowable subject matter.

I. Amendment of Claims to Overcome Rejection

In this amendment, Applicant has amended independent Claims 1 and 18 to include the subject matter identified as allowable from dependent Claims 17 and 34 respectively, and the subject matter from intervening dependent Claims 16 and 33 respectively. Independent Claim 35 has also been amended to include this subject matter. This should obviate the rejections of independent Claims 1, 18 and 35 over the cited art, as well as the rejections of the remaining dependent Claims 2-15 and 19-32. Dependent Claims 16, 17, 33 and 34 have been canceled in this amendment.

II. Summary

Applicant has amended the claims to place the independent claims in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the present Application is in a condition for Allowance. Reconsideration of the claims and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

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1. (Once Amended) A method for creating a data file using a programming development environment on a computer system, said method comprising the steps of:

building a program in said development environment to represent said data file; compiling the program in said development environment into a software executable; and running the executable to generate the data file[.]. wherein the data file is for interpretation by a third party computer system and the third party computer system comprises a dialogue management system for a computer telephony system.

18. (Once Amended) A system for creating a data file using a programming development environment on a further computer system, said system comprising:

means for building a program in said development environment to represent said data file;

means for compiling the program in said development environment into a software executable; and

means for running the executable to generate the data file[.]. wherein the data file is for interpretation by a third party computer system and the third party computer system comprises a dialogue management system for a computer telephony system.

35. A computer program product comprising computer program code stored on a computer readable storage medium for, creating a data file using a programming development environment, said computer program product comprising:

means for building a program in said development environment to represent said data file:

means for compiling the program in said development environment into a software executable; and

means for running the executable to generate the data file[.], wherein the data file is for interpretation by a third party computer system and the third party computer system comprises a dialogue management system for a computer telephony system.

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